

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE July 19, 2002

## BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING TO MEET IN CASTLE DALE

The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining will meet on Wednesday, July 31, 2002 in the Commission Chambers of the Emery County Courthouse, 95 East Main, Castle Dale, Utah. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. with general business items and the formal agenda will begin at 10:00 a.m.

"It's our desire to make the proceedings of the Board more accessible to the public by holding several hearings each year in communities throughout the State," explained Board Chairman Elise Erler. "This gives people a greater opportunity to make their concerns known to us, or to just observe how we function."

Among the items to be discussed during the general business session are a status report on informal rulemaking for proposed oil and gas bonding rule changes, coalbed methane and conventional gas, and a presentation on coal program development of a Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Assessment. During this time the public will also be given an opportunity to discuss Division of Oil, Gas and Mining activities with the Board.

## THE FOLLOWING MATTERS WILL BE HEARD AT 10 A.M.

1. <u>Docket No. 2001-022, Cause No. 139-73</u> - In the Matter of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Requesting an Order to Plug Wells and Restore the Well Sites for Wells Operated by Road Runner Oil, Inc. and Gavilan Petroleum, Inc. in Duchesne and Uintah Counties.

This is a limited rehearing as ordered by the Board in May.

2. <u>Docket No. 2002-005, Cause No. M/047/010</u> - In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of American Gilsonite Company for Approval of a Self-Bonding/ Escrow Agreement Proposal for its Mining Operations Located in Uintah County, Utah.

Board will conduct a limited rehearing on this matter.

3. <u>Docket No. 2002-010, Cause No. 250-01</u> - In the Matter of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Requesting an Order to Plug Wells and Restore the Well Sites for Wells Operated by Edward Mike Davis in Carbon County, Utah.

This matter is continued from the June Board hearing.

4. <u>Docket No. 2002-012, Cause No. 171-02</u> - In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Inland Production Company for Approval of Unit Operations and Enhanced and Secondary Recovery in

the Green River Formation in Sections 4-9, 17, and 18, Township 9 South, Range 19 East, S.L.M., Uintah County, Utah, for Authority for Underground Injection of Water, and Certification as an Enhanced Recovery Project.

A Hearing Examiner has been appointed to hear this matter on July 22 and a report is expected to be heard at this time.

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